incorporating at least some of the data of the first
object into the second object at a beginning of an access
to the second object.

4. (New) The programming device according to claim 3, wherein
the software tool deposits at least one data group of the data
of the first object into the second object so that at the
beginning of the access to the second object, the software
tool does not incorporate the at least one data group of the
first object into the second object.

REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment cancels, without
prejudice, claims 1 and 2 in the underlying PCT Application
No. PCT/DE99/01253, and adds new claims 3 and 4. The new
claims, inter alia, conform the claims to U.S. Patent and
Trademark Office rules and do not add new matter to the
application.

The above amendments to the specification and the
abstract are, inter alia, to conform the specification and the
abstract to U.S. Patent and Trademark Office rules and to
correct informalities. The amendments to the specification
and the abstract do not add new matter.

The underlying PCT Application No. PCT/DE99/01253
includes an International Search Report, dated November 29,
1999. The Search Report includes a list of documents that
were uncovered in the underlying PCT Application. A copy of
the Search Report is included herewith.

It is respectfully submitted that the subject matter

of the present application is new, non-obvious, and useful.
Prompt consideration and allowance of the application are
respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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